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Los Appeles, July 15. The familiar The wedding was furnished with

as the targest Managed Like John the Baptist, they would clothe themselves in skins and banquet upon locusts and wild honey. They elieve that primitive man in his dugof, eating his raw meat and herbs as he hunts them day by day, is a better type of the luman race than is the nodern man living in a hothouse and sleeping upon a feather bed and protecting himself from the rains of sumellas and rabbers and storm overcoats. Like Emperor William I. of Germany, they believe that, though they may live in a palace, yet the body rests better upon the hard camp cot, the relic of many battlefields, and the coarser the food they eat the more physical and mental strength they will

The banquet hall may have a bad name on account of the gourmets and gluttons who make out of its table brine, yet one of the most important olitical, social, ecclesiastical, financial and literary factors of the world has been the banquet ball. When a Gladstone, a Disraeli, a Sallsbury and a wanted to explain the state policy of the British government, where did they utter their manifestoes? They gains and again spoke to the British and to the world over the ban let table, which was spread to cele rate the induction of a new lord may-And you will need a Wedding Present for the occasion. To get it you must come to me, if you want the best, for the least money. My stock of Sterling Silverware, and other articles suitable for wedding presents is unusually large and complete, as also my stock of Watches, Jewelry, Silver Novelties and everything belonging to a Jewelry Store of the first-class (now in my new brick store between Postoffice and Hotel.)

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the world, to give them words of their annual banquets. And how did the American pulpit hon-Thus I am glad today that this symbol of my text is found in a bannet ball. Furthermore, it is found in most fascinating of all banque namely, at a wedding feast,

The Guests Were Secured. The king wanted to make a great feast to celebrate the invites many guests to the wedding. but they all refuse to come. Then the king says to his servants, "Go out into the highways and the hedges and compel them to come." Then the servants to and bring in the new guests. Now, it is my purpose to talk to you about this banquet hall and point out for you the different characteristics and the social status of the guests. In dwell on the direct lesson of the wide gospel invitation it conveys without the women and the children who were wedding feast of the royal Son of God, Jesus Christ

guests. Shall we do this by entering of his life. Many a man has gone to dress suit. Many a woman who is ty is a slattern when in her own home. Thus in order to find out the different characteristics of the wedding guests we should follow one of the servants

Those Who Accepted. Now, what did the king say? "Go ye therefore, into the highways and as many as ye shall flud bid to the mar-That means: "Oh, servant, as | this wedding invitation to the first men and women and children you meet. Make no exceptions to this rule. Slight no one. Ask all who will to come."

Now, whom do you suppose the servant saturally first accosted? Probably the most conspicuous person in the street. It was doubtless the rich merchant or the military chieftain, astride his war charger, or it was the royal prince driving in his chariot. These men were soon as you get into the street, give driving in his chiribot. These men were naturally the most conspicuous in that crowded theroughfare, therefore they are the first to whom I think the servant went and said: "Come! The king bids thee to come to the marriage of his son. Come, and come now!" But his son. Come, and come now!" But house worth \$10,000;" or, "You can be invested as the companion of th

Some of all classes refused to come. But there were many of the intellectual world who did come, and thou- Christ." world are coming today.

man belief. Just study them in a political or governmental sense. A few ident of the United States and his caband notable persons of both sexes. The letter, which was addressed to all tianny? Do you believe that Christian-Christ and to the surpassing potency ers of our army and navy, were either

kept those replies in my scrapbook. I us Christ. And what is true of partment of professional and business life if the statistician would only com-

pile for us the records. Intellectual Giants There. Do not talk to me about there being no intellectual giants in the banquet there you can see the intellectual leaders everywhere around you. Agassiz riage?" once said that the greatest feast he ever attended was when he visited the great German naturalist, Oken. Loin pocket. Therefore he placed before Agassiz but two dishes-one of potatoes boiled and one of potatoes roast-

table of Oken, so many of the great | the King's banquet. Did you not see intellectual giants are feasting be the pale cheek of that tired sick wom And how did the American pulpit non-rouse of its greatest theologians a few cause they are slitting at the marriage an at the window? I am going to tel her to come to the marriage banquet of are not what they eat or what they the King's Son." writer lay lil a few years ago the muring the words, "Now I lay me soul to keep." "I beg your pardon, not the hope of Rudyard Kipling alone. wedding of his son. The loving father of the world in almost every department of life. Am I wrong in asserting that the intellectual man is to be seen

the king give the invitation to the merchant prince and to the military chieftain or to the member of the sanhedrin his banquet hall and attend His Son's than methinks I see him put his hand feast." "Would you like to come, sufthinking over this parable we often upon the shoulder of the servant who dwell on the direct lesson of the wide is holding his master's horse and say: "Won't you come to the king's marnoticing the characteristics of the men, riage feast? The king bids me ask you to come also." "Ah, no," answers the finally persuaded to sit down at the servant; "I cannot come. My master would not allow it. He would not hire me a day if I did not keep in my social Let us find a vantage ground to place, I can harness up his chariot and King's Son! When one of the greates stand on. Let us, in the first place, drive him to the temple, but I would learn how we can best study the per- not dare stand by his side in that temsonal characteristics of these wedding | ple of worship. This bridegroom's banquet is only for the aristocrat. It is the brilliantly lighted banquet hall and watching the actions of the guests who for the plebelan. If there was a servestic watching the actions of the guests who for the plebelan. If there was a servestic was solving in the lant. As a friend of my mother was passing into the sickroom she stopped and spoke to the are gathered about the table? Nay. ants' table adjoining the king's ban-You cannot tell what a man is like quet hall I might come, but you would when he is dressed up and out for an land have me sit down with the bridevening entertainment. In order to groom on one side of me and my masnd out what he truly is you must go | ier on the other. Nay, this invitation and talk with him at his work. His is not for me." "Yes, it is, my friend," Sunday clothes are not the true index answers the king's messenger. "This King's banquet is to be spread God's badly wounded. Tetanus supervened, invitation is for the kitchen as well as an evening reception in a borrowed for the parlor, for the slave as well as for the mighty potentate."

No Classes In the Church

But no sooner does the messenger o

class churches do not believe this. They seem to think that the banquet hall of the royal King can be conof real estate men can buy up a section of land and lay it out in building lots this is done. It is by imposing "building restrictions." After the land has driving in his chariot. These men were post out of the house of God where naturally the most conspicuous in that they worship. But, my brother, the many of these rich men, the intellect house worth \$10,000;" or, "You can

tual leaders, refused to come. Very come if you are a university graduate;" royal command, "Go ye, therefore, into likely they were among those whom the king had invited and who may a coat of arms." But God does say, as ye shall find bid to the marriage?" have already refused the invitation. "You can come, whether you wear a Then I look and find these words in sands of the intellectual leaders of the master's horse; oh, humble man, work- they found, both bad and good." Did you ever try to estimate how rocking the baby to sleep in the nursmany of our great men are Christians? ery, the King's messenger bids thee

are not built upon the standard of received their just dues. years ago the editors of the Christian | money or fame. Away back in the four-Herald sent forth a letter to all the beenth century a great plague was devgovernors of this country and, I be- astating Florence, one of the chief is presented by the preacher in this lieve, to all the members of the United effice of Italy. Something had to be seriou in a new light and is made the States congress and to the leaders both done immediately to bury the dead basis for unlimited invitation to all of the army and the navy, also to the and to care for the sick and friendless. justices of the supreme court, the pres- Thus the Brotherhood of Misericordia was organized. Its members were net and to distinguished educators drawn from every walk of life. The and as we hear him saying to this man rich man in his palace was a member of it, and the poor man in his hut was alike, rend; "Are you a friend of Chris- also a member. The king upon his methinks he suddenly turns to us and throne and the footman waiting at his says, "Friends, will you come also to ity is the friend of mankind? Does door might both have their names en- the marriage banquet of the King's your belief extend to the recognition of rolled upon the membership of this Son?" "Oh," some of us answer, "do a Supreme Belng, to the divinity of society. No sooner is a mission of of Christianity as a civilizing influ- the burying of the pauper dead, than ence?" The answers came back by the leader of that district notifies his the scores and hundreds. They showed men. These men come at once. They that from the president in the White are all dressed alike. They are all House down to the humble executive covered with a long black robe which, at the last moment. All that I have of the western territory nearly all the like a cowl, covers both head and body. governors, nearly all the senators and Only the two glittering eyes of the ongressmen, nearly all the great lead- man can be seen shining through that cowl. Thus as the corpse of the friend- I believe if you and I, who have grown ant and out members of Christian less man is carried to the grave these hurches or respecters of the same. I black robes of the bearers are the to be saved now in all probability we same, but underneath those robes you could quote many of them now if I can see the costly shoes of the aristohad the time. However, from memory crat side by side with the hobnailed I can say this-that nearly all of our shoes of the poor peasant. The Brothreat leaders in governmental life were erhood of Misericordia places all its saved, like the thief on the cross or endy to confess that their only hope members upon the same level. There for eternal salvation was the cross of is a fraternal organization, a Brotherhood of Misericordia, in the banquet statecraft I believe will also be found hall of the King's Son. There we shall that when those men were asked to go true of medicine and of every other de- find the rich and the poor man, the intellectual man and the humble man, the master and the servant. There shall be all social classes sitting side by side, attired in the wedding garments that the King provided. Remember ye not the command, "Go ye, hall of the Divine Bridegroom. Why, therefore, into the highways, and as many as ye shall find bid to the mar-

Enter the Homes Too But while we follow the King's mes senger down the highways or the pubrenz Oken was rich in brain, but poor lie streets and hear him say to men on the right and to men on the left, of the King's Son," I see him dart off ed. But while the young naturalist to the side. He is about to disappear sat by the side of the great scientist in the doorway of an adjoining house Oken unfolded for him his investiga- "Where are you going, messenger?" tions in natural philosophy, "Never cry, "The King did not bid thee go into before," wrote Agassiz, "were such po- any homes! Thy command reads, 'Go tatoes grown on this planet, for the mind of the man seemed to enter into is a private home. That is not the pubwhat we are socially together, and I lic street. Every man's home as hi devoured his intellect while munching his potatoes. I repeat it-I never ate there," "No right!" answers the guide such a dinner before or since." As "Why, if I did not enter some homes Agnassiz, the great naturalist, was there would be thousands of invalide feasting because he was sitting at the who would never be invited to come to

drink as long as Christ sits at the head | We enter the house and go into the a of the table and they see him and hear sickroom. The nurse meets us at the door and says: "Hush: Don't make noise. She is very sick today. She is nurse heard him talking. She went to failing very rapidly. She has been an his bedside and heard him feebly mur- invalid in this room for five, ten or even twenty years. Her time of de down to sleep, I pray the Lord my parture is now not far oif." "I know it," says the King's messenger, "I know said the nurse when she knew that he it. She has had too many pains here was praying. "I thought you wanted She has suffered enough. She must get comething." "I do," faintly replied up out of this bed and put on the bloom Rudyard Kipling. "I want my Heav- of oternal youth. She must renew her enly Father. He can care for me strength. She shall mount up with Yea, that Heavenly Father is wings as eagles. She shall run and not be weary. She shall walk and not He is the hope of thousands of leaders faint." "But," says the nurse, "she cannot even move a limb. See, she is paralyzed." "I know it," says the messenger, "but remember I have not come among the guests at the King's ban- to bid her crawl around on a crutch quet which he gives for his Divine Remember I have come to ask her to attend the banquet of the King's Son. If my Lord is willing to ask her to come, surely he will give to her the needful strength with which to walk to fering invalid?" asks the messenger. "Well, rise up and come now."

For Invalids Too. What a blessed and glorious time

that will be when all the sick and the helpless who for months and years ins" shall attend the banquet of th ministers of the world a few years ago was dying in the east his poor sick suffering grandchild, a lifelong invalid, was sobbing in the hall. As a friend sickroom she stopped and spoke to the invalid child. "Is grandpa better?" the little girl asked. "No; he is dying," was the answer. "Oh," she said, "why did not God take me and leave him I am of so little use in the world, and charged a young farmer named Marhe is of so much use." Aye, when the riott, who was brought into hospital messenger will come and get thee, weak, invalid grandchild, as well as grandmother. You have been praying enough in that dark room. God has Some people who are trying to build heard your prayer. God's messenger will come soon, and when he comes you will not have to go into the banquet hall on a crutch. You shall not have ing him to death. The natives then to be carried there on a litter. You by social classes, even as a syndicate will walk there; you will leap there even as the lame man whom Peter spoke to at the beautiful gate went in and decide who will live there and who will not. You know, of course, how praising God. The banquet, the bansuffering ones of the sick chambers. But as we come out into the sunlight

king's coronet or a king's livery, as the Bible; "So the servants went forth long as you come in the name of Jesus out into the highways and the bedges Oh, servant, holding thy and gathered together all, as many as ing as clerk in the store; oh, nursegirl, bad, the deprayed, the outcasts, were Invited as well as those who had neve Their numbers almost transcend hu- come to the marriage feast of his Son. never done anything for which they Thank God, all social organizations ought to have been there if they had

Criminals Were Asked Thus as I go to that banquet and push it a little open I find the strangest assertment of people. You would not believe those people are there unless you come and look for lowing the King's messenger around and to that, "Come to the marriage, not worry about me. I am all right mercy necessary to be performed, like I know what it is to be a Christian. I was born in a Christian home. In a thicf on the cross, I expect to be saved to say on my deathbed is, 'Lord, save

Is that so, my brother? I doubt that, shall never be saved at all. I like the interpretation which an old minister gave to a gentleman he was visiting like the man who was asked to go to work in God's vineyard at the eleventh hour, but did you ever stop to think to work at the eleventh hour in all probability that was the first invitation they had ever received to go to work for Christ? Did you ever stop to think that in all probability the thief time with thieves and robbers and had never before been asked to come to Christ until he was on his own dying bed of a cross?" Oh, yes; at the eleventh hour men can be saved who have never heard the gospel invitation before, but for the most part those men who, like ourselves, have been born in Christian homes and who in their youth and young manhood have heard the invitation to come to the marriage banquet of the King's Son and have refused will in all probability never ome at the eleventh hour.

Dare we refuse the King's invitation which the messenger is giving to us

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f the treatment of appendicitis, prin whether, in a given case, an operation must be performed to save the life of been in Germany for the purpose

ian and surgeon who has recently studying this disease. "It would doubt less be a great been if a remedy could be found to make an operation unnec essary," continued the doctor. "Suci under the name of 'collangel.' Collan water, which is of recent discovery The antiseptic property of silver has knowledge, successful experiments have been made by some noted Ger man physicians through the use of the soluble. The treatment, according to his statement, has yielded extraordina-rily good results after three days. Excepting two very severe cases out of seventy-two which came under his observation, all were cured without any surgical operation. It is claimed that this treatment is very much superior to any other, "and I am satisfied," says the physician, "in stating that every case of appendicitis, if early diagnosed, be it ever so acute and malignant, can be cured with collargol without resorts ing to the knife."-Harper's Weekly,

Cruelty. "See here," grumbled the inmate of murderers' row, "ain't there a law against crool and onusual punish-

"Yes," answered the warden. "An' ain't I ter be hanged next week?

"I'm afraid you are." "Then what d'yer mean by sendin' me a bunch of story papers to read that ain't got nothin' but continued stories in 'em?'-Cleveland Leader. Animal Stories From Africa.

"Lions are reported to have been

very troublesome of late in the Mazoc

district of Mashonaiand," says South Africa. "A group of eight have been wandering around the Mazoe valley killing mules and cattle. Three of them have been shot, but one of them and he died the following morning." A story of a man eating hippopotamus comes from the neighborhood of Barberton, in the Transvani. It is asserted that the animal came out of a river, walked into a kraal and seized a small native boy in its mouth, crush turned out, killed the animal and ate

Reports the Bulawayo Chronicle: "The latest interruption in the telegraph service on the Victoria Falls line has been caused by a herd of giraffebecoming entangled by their necks in the wires at Intundhla and pulling about a mile down. In two former cases elephants were responsible."

A Frenk of Fortune, In the newspapers of Russia and other countries there recently ran a "personal" advertisement beseeching a Count Montecucoli to declare himself. At last an accident brought him to light in Siberia, where the count was